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## SENATOR JONATHAN PERRY HONORED AS KAPPA SIGMA ALUMNI OF THE YEAR

District 26 State Senator Jonathan "JP" Perry (R-Kaplan) has been chosen as the 2012 Kappa Sigma Fraternity (Theta-Chi Chapter) Alumni of the Year.

"I am very humbled to receive this award. I attribute a great amount of the success that I have had in the business and political arena to Kappa Sigma Fraternity." Sen. Perry stated.

Sen. Perry attended the University of Louisiana at Monroe (formerly Northeast Louisiana University) where he received a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and a minor in Sociology. While attending ULM, Sen. Perry became a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

"The Theta-Chi chapter of Kappa Sigma is honored to recognize brother Jonathan Perry as the Alumni of the year award recipient. Brother Perry is an outstanding example of the values and core beliefs of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity, and we are extremely proud of the job he has done serving his constituents as a state Senator. AEKDB." said Ben Winkler, GM of the Theta-Chi chapter of Kappa Sigma, University of Louisiana at Monroe.

Sen. Perry has previously served on the Kaplan police department where he acquired the rank of Sergeant. With determination to further his education Senator Perry returned to the academic scene in pursuit of a Law Degree. During his third year of law school Senator Perry began his political career at the ripe age of 28 when he was elected city councilman in his hometown of Kaplan. Senator Perry has previously served as an Assistant District Attorney for the 15th Judicial District Court. He is currently the managing attorney of Perry Law Firm, L.L.C.

In 2003, Sen. Perry entered an additional career field, that of professional comedy. He is the past "King of the International Cajun Joke Telling ContestTM". One of the most

sought after Cajun entertainers in the country, he has been featured on television and in newspapers throughout the United States, in addition to having performed at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida and Washington D.C.

In 2007, Perry was elected to the Louisiana House of Representatives to serve District 47, where he represented Cameron and Vermilion Parish. While in the House of Representatives, he served on the House Committee of Ways and Means, the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice and the House Committee of Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development. In early 2011, Sen. Perry won a special election for Senate District 26. In the fall of 2012, Sen. Perry ran unopposed for re-election to the State Senate. Senator Perry currently serves on Senate Retirement, Judiciary C, Senate and Governmental Affairs and Local and Municipal Affairs Committeees. Sen. Perry has been elected chairman of the Acadiana delegation for five years and is also a member of the Rural Legislative Caucus.

Senator Perry and his wife, the former Christine LeBeouf, reside in Kaplan with their four children.

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